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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 2878

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE AND
IMAGING SYSTEM

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The reasons for allowance do not precisely track the recitations of independent Claims 17 and 26. These claims are clearly allowable by virtue of the combinations of features recited therein.

Respectfully submitted,

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